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| 6            | Transmitted herewith is Information Disclosure Statement, PTO-1449 and 113 cited references.   |            |                                       |                  |                                       |              |          |                    |                |  |  |  |
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| TRADEMARKOT  | A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 CFR §§ 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.  Petition for amonth extension of time.  No additional fee is required.  The fee has been calculated as shown below:  Other Than Small Entity  |            |                                       |                  |                                       |              |          |                    |                |  |  |  |
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| $\boxtimes$  | The Assistant Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of any additional filing fees required under 37 CFR § 1.16 and any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR § 1.17 associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 23-1925. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed. |            |                                       |                  |                                       |              |          |                    |                |  |  |  |
| $\boxtimes$  | I hereby petition under 37 CFR § 1.136(a) for any extension of time required to ensure that this paper is filed. Please charge any associated fees which have not otherwise been paid to Deposit Account No. 23-192 duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.  |            |                                       |                  |                                       |              |          |                    |                |  |  |  |
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## INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Honorable Assistant Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Applicants have enclosed copies of ninety-four U.S. patents, eleven European Patent Office publications and eight WIPO patent publications, which are listed on the attached Form PTO 1449. These documents were considered during preparation of the above-identified application, and Applicants request that they be reviewed and made of record.

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Applicants also note the following pending U.S. applications

- U.S. Serial No. 09/215,866 (Attorney Docket No. 659/482) filed December 18, 1998
- U.S. Serial No. 09/215,865 (Attorney Docket No. 659/487) filed December 18, 1998

Applicants additionally request that citations to the above patent applications not be printed on the patent. If the Examiner has any questions, please call the undersigned at (312) 321-4239.

This Information Disclosure Statement is being submitted within three months of the date of filing pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b).

Respectfully submitted,

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